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Other than being consistent with federal rules, who thinks this is a good idea? I think it is terrible. In our jurisdiction, we dispose of most cases this way.....open dialogue between the judge and the prosecutor and the defense attorney, including the Department of Corrections, when their input is helpful.

**Most defendants just want to know what they are facing. We tell them, when we can. We freely allow withdrawal of the plea when good conscience dictates that the promise cannot be kept, when new information is discovered in the presentence process.**

Why is this bad? What is wrong with it? We do not punish anyone for having a trial if they don't want certain sentence. They get it, if it's right, by plea or trial.

Some judges won't discuss these things. Fine. Let them do that, but why disallow those of us who prefer the other process?

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